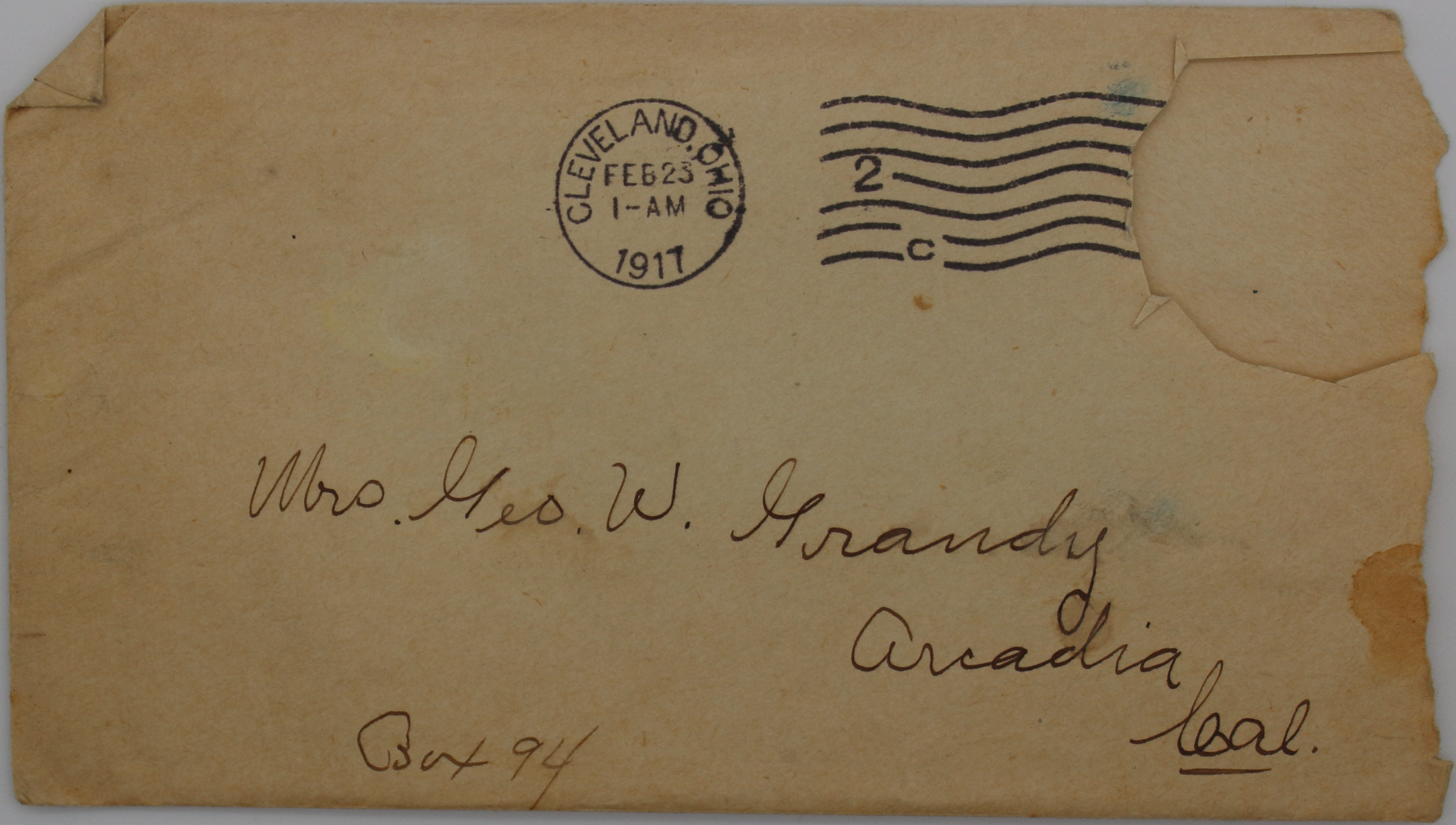

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Dear Sister Edith:-

We received your good & interesting letter of 10th & it was such a surprise to get one of your old fashioned letters again, it has been a good many years since you have wrote me such a nice long letter, so lets hope you will keep it up now since you have started. I hardly know where to begin to answer as I have so much I would like to say. Well. we are all well for the first thing. Geo. has had a touch of grip but is better now has not been to school all wk. John & ava & Laureys are all well. sorry to hear of Ella getting hurt but hope she will soon be all right again. I dident know Allie alaback but it is verry sad. yes you have Frank & Enochs ages all right. we were down to see them last summer on our vacation & found them all well as usual

& busy as ever but of course they are ageing & look much older than when you last seen them, if you & your children will come & see us this summer I will drive you down to see all of our relations & it wont cost you a cent while here. what would RR cost you to come? & Sarah joins me in saying the same. she often says that she doesn't know of anybody that she would like to see as much as you. last night she was saying that she would like for you & your children to come & spend the summer with us, & I will go her one better & bring Bro. Geo. along to. & we will get him a job if he wants to work for there is lots of it here & good pay.

Ava was saying that her mother was sick. you know her & John live next st. to us & our Helen is over there every day with their baby she is bugs over it. O yes that family group I promised you seems if we never get time to have it taken, but we havent forgotten it & the promise still holds good. Yes I look some older & getting quite gray, but feel fine. Tell me if your hair is turning any yet.? Son Chas will be 16 on March 17 & he is now 6 ft taller than his dad. No I cant promise you anything for your Church as we are in the same boat ourselves. The Church we used to go to before we moved burnt down & you know what that means, & out here in this new neighborhood there is no Church handy so they have bought a lot & are getting ready to build a Baptist Church next corner to us so you see we have all of that stuff we can take care of here. Edith I dont know what the law is in Ohio for settling a will but Uncle L.C. wrote & told me there is nothing for us in the Elizabeth Bushing estate. That was just a legal form that they had to go through to settle that estate, so there is nothing to that. if there was I would of heard from other sources. I am afraid the Pike settlement is going to make hard feelings with some of our Uncles & Aunts & Cousins. you know when they started out with that case, a paper was sent around for all of us heirs to sign giveing our consent * for them to go ahead with the case — I refused to sign it & returned the paper to them. now that they have lost the case the Lawyers are trying to make me pay my share also Uncle L. C. is added on as they cant collect nothing from him, & I dont know about yours & K.P. share, but they have me down for around $ 90.00 so I turned it over to my Lawyer to settle for me & he told me I would not have to pay it if I didnt sign for it, but he was going to write them about it & I havent heard from him since so I dont know how I will come out.

Edith that big water color picture of you I had forgotten all about – but since you have spoken about it, I have been racking my brains trying to see if I cant remember it. & I think I have, a reconciliation of see it hanging on our Mothers wall. but that is a long time ago. & That bring back to my memory of one time K. destroyed a picture that she took out of a frame at "our house" or Mothers in Hadley Mass the time we were there packing up her belongings to bring back. I have forgotten. but I do remember, at the time where ever it was I had words with her for doing it. & wanted her to give it to me rather than distroy it. but she wouldent do it. & riped it up. Edith K. verry seldom writes to me, not near as often as you do so you know how often you write & it is verry seldom I write to her & when I do I am careful what I say. & I never mention your name as I know you two dont like each other

& I wouldent for the world say or do anything to mak your feelings towards each other worse. I only have 2 Sisters & it make me feel bad to know that you dont get along. of course I know K. always was odd. but she is our sister just the same & we have to make the best of it. how nice it would be for you if she was of a different disposition & a good congenial girl & live with you as she ough to. No nothing would please me more to know that you 2 are living happily togeather & getting along. so try & forget it. & if I can do anything to bring you togeather again please tell me.

We have had a very cold winter 12 below & lots of snow. but is quite like spring now. to soon to last. well I must close & go to supper now I have 2 miles now to go home. so please write soon with love from all to all your Bro Archie.